

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
August 13, 2008

PRESENT: Dennis Farrell, Debra Patterson, Julie Turkoske, Missy Kueht-Becker, Doreen Eicher, Eugene Zacharyasz, Nichole Hunkins, Monica Whaley, Lorraine Lee, Glenn Lee, Jamie Zuelsdorf, Angie Brunhart, Kurt Roskopf, Sandy Summerfield, Ethel Clough, Linda Konrath, Bob Hohl, Holly Liebherr, Shelly Nelson-Green, Tony Goh, Janice Lee, Susan Vig Saucier, Kathleen Adams

STAFF PRESENT: Jack Bodien, Shirley Peterson, Pat Mireles

Lorraine Lee called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Committee members exchanged introductions, and thanked Lutheran Social Services for hosting this year's annual DDAC picnic/meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 9 , 2008

Pat Mireles made a motion, seconded by Shelly Nelson-Green to approve the minutes of July 9, 2008. The motion was voted on and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM MEMBERS OR GUESTS

None.

DDAC REPORTS

A. Health & Human Services Board

Dennis Farrell reported that the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Waukesha County Advisory Board met for the first time on August 7, 2008. Nomination of Officers are Sandy Wolff for Chair, Bill Graham for Vice Chair and Julie Turkoske for Secretary. Election of Officers will take place at their next meeting in September. A subcommittee has been formed to write the Advisory Committee's Bylaws.

The Health and Human Services Board will be meeting tomorrow, August 14, 2008, to begin the review of the Criminal Justice Collaborating Council (CJCC) budget.

A question about the future of the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee was asked. Dennis Farrell commented that he believed the committee would continue meeting under the auspices of the Family Support Program, per a discussion with County Executive Dan Vrakas.

Dennis Farrell thanked Lutheran Social Services for their hospitality today.

B. Family Support

Dennis Farrell reported the Family Support Committee will continue to function and most likely merge with Birth to Three under the auspices of the Child and Family Services Advisory Committee.

C. Long Term Care Manager

Jack Bodien reported that we are in the process of transitioning our waiver service clients to the Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), and the Long Term Care staff are also transitioning over to the ADRC. Approximately 400 individuals have transitioned over the last couple of months, and a few individuals have expressed interest in the IRIS option, which is a self directed option for those who choose that route.

As mentioned earlier about the future of the DDAC, Jack has spoken with the MCOs and they are willing to accept representation from this committee, but not everyone, as their committee is regional and they already have various representatives. The ADRC Board cannot be on the MCO Board. Julie suggested this group might want to consider joining the People Can't Wait Coalition, and then meet the second Tuesday of the month in place of the DDAC meeting. At next month's DDAC meeting, September 10, 2008, we will have a formal presentation by the representatives of the People Can't Wait Coalition. Dennis Farrell will also mention the merger of the DDAC and People Can't Wait Coalition to the Health and Human Services Board members.

D. Birth to Three

Missy Kueht-Becker reported that Lutheran Social Services Birth to Three program is financially stable as they have had a lot of changes and anticipate there may be more in the coming year. A public hearing is being held this evening at UW-Waukesha regarding the proposed changes in parental cost share for the Birth to Three Autism Waiver plan.

E. Continuing Education/Technical School

No Report.

F. Transportation Subcommittee

No Report.

G. People Can't Wait Coalition

Doreen Eicher reported the group last met on August 8, 2008 and discussed the upcoming Family Care panel presentation scheduled for November 5, 2008. They are looking for presenters who have already made the move to Family Care, wanting to hear the positives and negatives and hopefully use this as a tool for individuals moving in and off of the waiting list so they have a better understanding of Family Care.

On September 25th at ACAP, Michelle Martini will discuss the peer mentoring program for Family Care and Iris(sp?)

On September 18th at the Country Springs Hotel the Survival Coalition will be presenting on Family Care and IRIS. The session is free to consumers and families and a small charge for providers.

H. Direct Caregivers Report

No Report.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the DDAC will be held on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at Goodwill on Nike Drive in Waukesha.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon to the annual DDAC picnic.

Minutes recorded by Linda Johnson

Approved on _____
Date